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BUCHANAN INGERSOL CENTRAL FAX CENTER

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Patent Application of | MAIL STOP AMENDMENT |
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| Takao Koyama | Group Art Unit: 3751 |
| Application No.: 10/511,304 | Examiner: TUAN N NGUYEN |
| Filing Date: October 15, 2004 | Confirmation No.: 9491 |
| Title: WRITING INSTRUMENT | |
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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir. Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application. \boxtimes A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed. Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\infty\$ \$ 65 \$\infty\$ \$ 130 fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are enclosed. Also enclosed is/are: Small entity status is hereby claimed. Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the S 395 S \$ 790 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above. Applicant(s) previously submitted _ continued examination is requested. \Box Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least , which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

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Amendment/Reply Transmittal Letter

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An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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| Total Claims | 39 | 38 | 1 | × \$ 50 (1202) | \$ | 50 |
| Independent Claims | 3 | 3 | 0 | x \$ 200 (1201) | | 0 |
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| Total Claim Amendment Fee | | | \$ | 50 | | |
| ☐ Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee | | | | 0 | | |
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| ⊠ | The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate. |

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 6, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory response period and for which one additional month has been petitioned, please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the claim summary which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.